(c) whether any decision has been taken by Government with regard to inviting the foreign investors in the power sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A number of foreign companies had evinced interest in investing in Joint Venture Companies in the Indian Power Sector during the visit of the High Level. Power Delegation to U.K. and U.S.A.

(c) Tha private sector policy has been amended to allow upto 100 per cent equity participation by foreign companies.

Power generating capacity in the country

573. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total installed power generation capacity in the country and in the Southern region; and

(b) what are the shares of central sactor, hydro sector, thermal sector and nuclear sector therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) The total installed generating capacity in the country as on 31.3.1992 was 69070.39 MW. This includes 17214 MW capacity in Southern Region. The Category wise details are as under:—

Installed Capacity 31-3-1992

(Figures in MW)

	Hydro	Thermal	Nuclear	Total
Central Sector . . .	1044.01	15280.50	1785	18109.51
State Sector . . .	16869.12	30244.06	0	48113.18
Private Sector . . .	276.00	2571.70	0	2847.70
All India . . .	19189.13	48096.26	1785	69070.39

Number of Super Thermal Power Projects executed by NTPC

574. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Super Thermal Power Projects that have been executed by NTPC, region-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Southern region is being neglected by NTPC;

(c) whether there is any proposal to install another super thermal power project in Southern region;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The region-wise number of Super Thermal Power Projects